

# Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee —Budget Estimates Hearing—May 2012

## Answers to Questions on Notice

### Parliamentary departments, Department of Parliamentary Services

Topic: **Hospitality and Entertainment**

Question: **80**

Written **Senator Ryan**

**Date set by the committee for the return of answer: 6 July 2012**

1. What is the Department/Agency's hospitality spend for this financial year to date? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events.
2. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total hospitality spend for this financial year to date. Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event.
3. What is the Department/Agency's entertainment spend for this financial year to date? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events.
4. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total entertainment spend for this financial year to date. Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event.
5. What hospitality spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events.
6. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what hospitality spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event.
7. What entertainment spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events.
8. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what entertainment spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event.
9. Is the Department/Agency planning on reducing any of its spending on these items? If so, how will reductions be achieved?

### Answer

1. As at 31 May 2012, DPS had hospitality expenditure of \$579 (ex-GST) relating to 2011–12.

13 October 2011—lunch in the Members' Guests Dining Room (Parliament House) for Friends of the SA Parliamentary Library at a cost of \$207 (ex-GST).

2 November 2011—lunch in the Members' Guests Dining Room (Parliament House) for speakers after Library Vital Issues Seminars at a cost of \$71 (ex-GST).

17 May 2012—Dinner at Ostani Restaurant Hotel Realm (Canberra) for attendees of the annual meeting of Department of Parliamentary Services Chief Executives at a cost of \$301 (ex-GST)

2. Not applicable.
3. As at 31 May 2012, DPS had no entertainment expenditure for 2011–12.

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4. Not applicable.
5. DPS does not have any hospitality expenditure planned for the remainder of the financial year.
6. Not applicable.
7. DPS does not have any entertainment expenditure planned for the remainder of the financial year.
8. Not applicable.
9. DPS will continue to monitor expenditure against hospitality and entertainment.